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SUBJ: REDUCTION OF MILITARY BUDGETS (ROB) - MEXICAN
PROPOSAL

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1. AMEXICAN AMB GARCIA ROBLES GAVE DELOFFS DRAFT
(DATAFAXED TO THOMPSON, IO/UNP) OF "PROCEDURAL RESOLUTION"
ON ROB WHICH HE PLANS TO TABLE DEC 5 OR 6 AFTER CONSULTING
ALSO WITH UK, FRANCE AND CHINA. HE REFERRED APPRECIATIVELY
TO EARLIER FAVORABLE US REACTION TO IDEAS SET FORTH
IN HIS SPEECH ON ROB. HE SAID HE HAD GIVEN HIS DRAFT
SEVERAL DAYS AGO TO SOVIETS HERE WHO NOW HAVE THE WORD
FROM MOSCOW THAT THEY DO NOT OBJECT TO IT AND WOULD EVEN
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VOTE FOR IT ALTHOUGH THEY WOULD STILL PREFER THAT MEXICANS

NOT TABLE IT BUT SIMPLY VOTE FOR THEIR RES INSTEAD. MEXICAN PLAN AS INDICATED TO US EARLIER IS NOT TO ASK FOR PRIORITY IN VOTING ON THEIR DRAFT. SOVIET DRAFT WOULD BE VOTED ON FIRST AND MEXICANS WOULD SUPPORT IT.

2. MEXICAN RES IN OPERATIVE PORTIONS REQUESTS SYG TO PREPARE A REPORT WITH EXPERT HELP ON REDUCTION OF MILITARY BUDGETS OF PERMANENT SC MEMBERS AND OTHER MAJOR COUNTRIES AND ON USE OF PART OF FUNDS THUS SAVED FOR DEVELOPMENT ASSISTANCE. PREAMBULAR SECTION REFERS TO "URGENT NECESSITY" THAT SC PERMANENT MEMBERS AGREE TO REDUCE THEIR MILITARY BUDGETS AND "DESIRABILITY THAT THE OTHER STATES WITH A MAJOR ECONOMIC AND MILITARY POTENTIAL...ACT ACCORDINGLY". IT ALSO EXPRESSES CONVICTION THAT PART OF FUNDS RELEASED BY BUDGET CUTS SHOULD GO TO AID DEVELOPING COUNTRIES.

3. ACCORDING TO MEXICANS, BRAZIL HAS ABANDONED EFFORTS ON BEHALF ITS ROB RES.

4. DELOFFS PROMISED GARCIA ROBLES TO TRANSMIT TEXT IMMEDIATELY FOR COMMENTS. WOULD APPRECIATE RECEIVING THEM BY NOON DEC 5. IN OUR VIEW PREAMBLUAR PARAS 2 AND 3 ARE LESS THAN SATISFACTORY IN PRESENT FORM. WE WILL CONSULT WITH OTHER DELS IN AN EFFORT TO ENCOURAGE MEXICANS TO MODIFY THESE PARAS. ON OTHER HAND, OPERATIVE PARA 2 SEEMS TO MEET OUR NEEDS FULLY AS OUTLINED IN REFTEL.

5. FOLLOWING IS TEST OF MEXICAN DRAFT RESOLUTION.

"THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY,

HAVING EXAMINED THE ITEM "REDUCTION OF THE MILITARY BUDGETS OF STATES PERMANENT MEMBERS OF THE SECURITY COUNCIL BY 10 PER CENT AND UTILIZATION OF PART OF THE FUNDS THUS SAVED TO PROVIDE ASSISTANCE TO DEVELOPING COUNTRIES",

CONVINCED OF THE URGENT NECESSITY THAT THE PERMANENT MEMBER OF THE SECURITY COUNCIL AGREE TO CARRY OUT THE REDUCTION OF THEIR MILITARY BUDGETS, AND OF THE DESIRABILITY THAT THE OTHER STATES WITH A MAJOR ECONOMIC AND MILITARY POTENTIAL
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WILL ACT ACCORDINGLY,

CONVINCED FURTHER THAT A PART OF THE FUNDS RELEASED BY SUCH A REDUCTION SHOULD BE SET ASIDE FOR INCREASING INTERNATIONAL ASSISTANCE TO DEVELOPING COUNTRIES,

CONSCIOUS THAT THE UNITED NATIONS HAVE BEEN UNABLE TO STUDY THIS IMPORTANT QUESTION WITH THE REQUIRED DEPTH AND

CARE,

1. REQUESTS THE SECRETARY-GENERAL TO PREPARE, WITH THE ASSISTANCE OF QUALIFIED CONSULTANT EXPERTS APPOINTED BY HIM, A REPORT ON THE REDUCTION OF THE MILITARY BUDGETS OF THE PERMANENT MEMBERS OF THE SECURITY COUNCIL WHICH SHOULD COVER ALSO OTHER STATES WITH A MAJOR ECONOMIC AND MILITARY POTENTIAL AND ON THE UTILIZATION OF A PART OF THE FUNDS THUS SAVED TO PROVIDE INTERNATIONAL ASSISTANCE TO DEVELOPING COUNTRIES;

2. CALLS UPON ALL GOVERNMENTS TO EXTEND THEIR FULL CO-OPERATION TO THE SECRETARY-GENERAL TO ENSURE THAT THE STUDY IS CARRIED OUT IN THE MOST EFFECTIVE WAY;

3. INVITES THE SECRETARY-GENERAL TO TRANSMIT THE REPORT TO THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY WITH ENOUGH TIME SO THAT IT MAY BE EXAMINED AT ITS TWENTY-NINTH SESSION."
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